MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKER: There is no scheme as such, but if a particularly efficient law graduate is available in any department and the head of that department reports the fact to Government, and if he is suitable to the post to which he is to be appointed, he will be appointed.

PRESIDENT: I think honourable members might know that apart from hard cases and the existing graduates law graduates who have already gone into various departments cannot have transfers to other departments. I may inform this House that on account of the difficulties which graduates bring upon themselves by going for the law course and getting into the various departments and thereafter not finding any outlet, it has been decided by Government that hereafter excepting in cases where legal or magisterial careers are open, no special preference will be given to law graduates in any department. That rule has been passed in order to prevent indiscriminate admissions to the Law College. A large number of people go to the Law College, come out as Law graduates, find that they cannot succeed in the profession because of overcrowding and for other reasons, get into the various departments and then having got into the departments, they want special preference, although the particular department does not require any special legal knowledge in regard to the transaction of normal business. The rule, therefore, will be that excepting in cases where recruitment to the magistracy or to the judiciary takes place, in other cases there will be no distinction between law graduates and now law graduates and all graduates will be treated alike. And after the education reorganisation committee begins to function, it is hoped that the Government will pass a rule that being a graduate will be no special qualification for entry into government service excepting in certain departments. That action will be taken for the purpose of preventing indiscriminate admission to colleges of persons who really need not waste their time and energy just for the purpose of entering the lower ministerial service.

MR. P. M. VARGHESE: May I know whether the rules will apply only to graduates that are going to be law graduates hereafter or to those who are already law graduates.

PRESIDENT: My first sentence was apart from cases already in existence. So that is clear.

Village roads.

284 ***MR. K. VARGHESE ITHAC** (*Vaikom cum Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that all the village roads in Kottayam taluk are in a very bad condition unworthy for easy traffic;

(*b*) whether they are aware that at least in fifty per cent. of the village roads there are breaches, marshes and water-logged ditches;

(*c*) whether they are aware that the Manarcaud, Ayarkunnam road is lying in a neglected condition;

(*d*) whether they are aware that the Pampady Ahikkadu road will be worthy for traffic only by a complete recoating and rolling; and

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[Mr. K. V. Varghese Ithac]

(*e*) whether they are aware that Kuruppamthara market road is lying for the last three years in a condition useless for vehicular traffic?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN (*Chief Engineer, P. W. D.*): (*a*) No.
(*b*) No.
(*c*) No.
(*d*) Yes.
(*e*) No.

MR. K. VARGHESE ITHAC: May I know from the honourable member whether the answers given here are based on the reports of subordinate officers or on his personal knowledge.

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: On the report of the subordinate officers.

MR. K. VARGHESE ITHAC: May I know whether he would be prepared to take it from me that the Thiruvathucal road, the Manarcaud Ayarkunnam road and Pampady Anikkadu road are in neglected condition.

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I will accept the honourable members statements and take further enquiries.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether during the course of this year any of these roads have been repaired or maintained properly

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I believe so, Sir. I have not got any specific information.

MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member whether he is aware of the complaints made in this Assembly during the course of the budget discussion last year that the village roads are uniformly neglected?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I have suggested various methods, I have asked for the co-operation of the public. I know the difficulty exists.

Rest house at Kottayam.

285 ***MR. K. R. NARAYANAN** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the necessary furniture have been supplied to the newly constructed rooms in the rest house at Kottayam; and

(*b*) if not, how long it will take?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) No.
(*b*) Another month.

Rest house at Palai.

286 ***MR. CHAZHIKKATTU JOSEPH**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the P. W. D. Advisory Board have reported to Government that a rest house is necessary at Palai?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Yes.

MR. CHAZHIKATTU JOSEPH: Does the honourable member think that there is need for a rest house at Palai?

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